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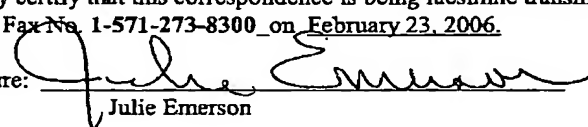
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## AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated **August 23, 2005**.

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